

REMARKS**Overview**

Currently pending in this application is claims 3-7, 10-12, and 15-28. Claims 3, 5, 10, 11 and 15-17 have been amended. Claims 1-2, 5-6, 8-9 and 13-14 have been cancelled and claims 18-28 are new. The present response is an earnest effort to place all claims in proper form for immediate allowance.

Claim Rejections and Allowable Claims

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 5, 8 and 10 based on U. S. Patent No. 4,133,161 to Lester. Claims 13, 15 and 17 have been rejected based on U. S. Patent No. 5,934,019 to Rotharmel. Applicant has cancelled independent claims 1, 8 and 13 such that the rejections are moot. Claims 2-4, 6-7, 9, 11-12, 14, and 16 have been deemed allowable by the Examiner if rewritten in independent form.

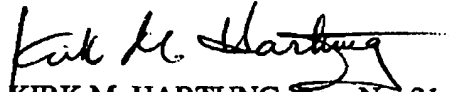
Applicant has rewritten allowable claims 2, 9, 11, 14 and 16 in independent form, as new independent claims 18-22, respectively.

Conclusion

Please charge Deposit Account No. 26-0084 for the amount of \$200.00 for two additional independent claims over 3. No other fees or extensions of time are believed to be due in connection with this amendment; however, consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted, and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 26-0084.

Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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